Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma

Toni-We-Kee-Toh

"Where are we going"

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Chief=s Message

I would like to first of all encourage everyone to vote in the Special Election on Saturday, December 9. The Election Committee called a Special Election to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of First Councilman Claude Landers. Claude has served on the council for several years. He has seen the highs, lows, and once again the highs of not only tribal politics, but every bit of growth of the Peoria Tribe - from land purchases, increases in burial assistance and scholarships, to making tough decisions concerning housing, healthcare issues, BIA contracts, and revisions to our tribal Constitution. We all wish Claude and his family the best of everything in the future. Although, Claude is no longer an elected tribal official, his service to the Native American community continues as he serves in his capacity at the Peoria Housing Authority. Thank you, Claude, for all of your years of service to the Peoria Tribe.

In previous newsletters, I have discussed education at length. The Business Committee received and approved a recommendation from the Education Committee to enhance the Peoria Tribal Scholarship program. Scholarships will now be available to individual tribal members who wish to pursue a degree, but may not be able to attend school on a full time basis. Criteria has been established to award scholarships to tribal members taking less than 12 semester hours starting

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in the Spring of 2007. You may call the tribal office and speak to Mandie on the requirements and for the application. Information is also available on the tribal website, www.peoriatribe.com.

On November 1st the Peoria Tribe held a press conference at Buffalo Run Casino concerning future tribal economic development. The tribe is entering into an agreement with a private company for the construction and management of a hotel on tribal property located near Buffalo Run. The hotel is just one more phase to make Buffalo Run Casino a true destination stop. The new Buffalo Run Casino and Resort will compliment other tribal enterprises, current and future. The tribe will be the majority shareholder in the hotel, with no additional debt obligation on behalf of the tribe. I wish to thank the Business Committee for all their assistance in putting this landmark deal together for the benefit of the tribe. The Peoria Tribe=s aggressive approach in economic development has made the Buffalo Run Casino and Resort the leader in providing a full range of entertainment for not only gaming, but concerts, dining, golf and in the near future extended stays, in the four-state area. The Buffalo Run Casino and Resort will be something to make every tribal member proud. In a recent survey conducted by the Joplin Business Journal the Peoria Tribe ranked 50th in the number of employees in the four-state area.

With increased revenues through economic development, the goal for this administration is building a future for the future generations. Thank you for your support.

John P. Froman, Chief

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SPECIAL ELECTION NOTICE

The Election Committee of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma announces a Special Election for the following position: First Councilman. Candidates for this office are P. J. Attocknie, Carolyn Garren, and James G. T. Steel. The election will be held on **Saturday, December 9, 2006**, at the Peoria Tribal Office, 118 South Eight Tribes Trail in Miami, Oklahoma. Polls will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Any member of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma shall be eligible to vote, provided the member is eighteen (18) years of age or over on the date of election. **Members will be required to show either their Peoria Tribal Card or Driver's License at time of voting**. The ballots will be counted and tabulated and the results announced immediately. In the event of a tie, a run-off election will be conducted immediately.

(See page 12 for letters from the candidates)

Tribal Committees

Grievance Committee
Sonja Kelly……..2008
Annette Black…….…….2009
John E. Froman……...2009
Anita Renee Blount..……...2010
Matthew Westphal…..…….……...2010

Election Committee
Tonya Grayson, Chairperson; Toni Potts, Secretary; Roberta Lindsly; David Tyner; Bud Ellis

Enrollment Committee
Alice Burgess; Jenny Rampey; Joyce Blalock

Economic Development/Finance/ Properties
Alice Burgess, Chairperson; Roberta Lindsly, Secretary; John Livingston; and Alan Goforth

Housing/Social Services
Alice Burgess, Chairperson; Beebe Mitchell; M. Annette Black

Education Committee
Donna Fitzgibbon, Chairperson; Alan Goforth, Secretary; Sadie Detherage

Audit Committee
Darlene Young, Chairperson; Laura McCoy, Laura Downum

Culture and Language Committee
Donna Fitzgibbon; Kevin Dawes

Stomp Dance Committee
Joyce Ballard, Chairperson; John Froman; Rick Landers; Terry Kinder; Alice Burgess; Mary Olsen; Ruthie Jones; Donna Fitzgibbon; Karen Stand; David Tyner; Darlene Young; Jeffery "Dude" Blalock; Bill Blalock

Repatriation Committee
Bud Ellis Chairperson; Laura McCoy, Co-Chairperson; Michael Eddy; John Froman; Eddie Froman; Don Giles; Cynthia Purgason; Charla K. EchoHawk; LeAnne Reeves; Jane Hahn

Cemetery Committee
Billy Blalock; John Froman

Historical Committee
Joann Evans, Chairperson; Mary Lembcke; Roberta Lindsly; Alice Burgess; Rick Landers

TRADING POST

ITEMS WITH PEORIA LOGO

T-Shirts, children (12 & 24 month, ex. sm., sm., med., lg.)	$8.00
T-Shirts, adults (sm., med., lg.)	$8.00
T-Shirts, adults (XL)	$10.00
T-Shirts, adults (XXL & XXXL)	$12.00
Ceramic coffee mugs	$5.00 ea. Or 2/$9.00
22 oz. Insulated mugs	$5.00
14 oz. Travel mugs	$5.00
Tribal Caps (many colors)	$10.00
Novelty License Plates	$6.00

OTHER ITEMS AVAILABLE

Peoria History Books	$20.00
Miami-Peoria Dictionary	$7.00
Beaded Indian Head Pins	$5.00
Beaded Key Chains	$10.00—$12.00
Dream Catchers SM. $8.00 Lg.	$12.00
Love Knots	$8.00
Shawls	$50.00
Beaded Ear Rings	$10.00—$12.00
Printed T-Shirts (various pictures)	$10.00
Medicine Wheels	$12.00
Beaded Necklaces	$2.00—$5.00
Snow People (pair)	$10.00
Quillows	$35.00
Fringed T-Shirts	$15.00
Renuzite Dolls	$10.00
Leather Purse	$40.00
Aprons	$15.00
Dish Towels (set of 7)	$20.00
Beaded Hat Bands	$20.00
Pillows	$12.00
Night Light Cover	$6.00

Peoria Tribal Members:

The tribe is under contract to restore the Peoria School House. If you have any specific information, pictures of the inside or the outside of the building, or stories about the original school house please contact the tribal office, 918-540-2535. You can also fax or e-mail any information: 918-540-2538 fax number. To schedule an interview please give us a call.

Trading Post!!

The Trading Post has added some sizes to the T-shirts with the Peoria Tribal Logo. The new sizes are 12 and 24 month and extra small youth size. The color of the shirt is gray and is the same price as a youth size. Please indicate if you would like a gray or white t-shirt when ordering. All the white t-shirts are adult sizes, Large, XL, XXL. A new Dictionary of the Miami-Peoria language has been added to the Trading Post cost of $7.00. The Trading Post still has a variety of Native American crafts for sale such as dream catchers, shawls, and quillows. There are also several items with the Peoria logo on them. If you would like to order any items from the Trading Post, please make your check out to the Peoria Tribe. Please add $6 for shipping and handling on most orders. Allow at least 10 days for delivery. Anyone who would like to attend the beading classes is welcome. The ladies meet every Tuesday at the Peoria Tribal office between 10:00a.m.—3:00p.m.

Tribal Members In Service To Our Country

Do you have a member of your family serving in Iraq, Kuwait, or anywhere with the U.S. military forces? Please share their names with us so we can recognize and honor them.

2007 ANNUAL TRIBAL ELECTIONS

Offices to be filled by election in March 2007 are: Secretary (currently held by Hank Downum), and Third Councilman (currently held by Alan Goforth). The term of office is four (4) years.

Notice of the Election, qualifications of candidates and procedures for filing for candidacy will be mailed to all tribal members of voting age.

Mark your calendars for the March 3, 2007 and plan to attend the Annual Peoria Council Meeting.

Pro Shop Shopping!!!

The Peoria Ridge Pro Shop can help you with all your golfing needs. Special order services are available. Currently in stock are caps at $19.35, golf towels at $15, sweatshirts at $20, and a variety of shirt styles ranging from $30 to $45.

PEORIA RIDGE RATES

Annual Memberships

Junior……..$ 500.00
Tribal (no cart)…… 500.00
Tribal (with cart)……. 875.00
Individual (no cart)……. 1,000.00
Individual (with cart)…….. 1,750.00
Couple……. 3,000.00
Corporate…….3,000.00
Range Only…….. 250.00

All memberships (excluding junior) include green fee and cart for one year, 20% discount on any merchandise purchase excludes clubs), $100 discount towards the purchase of a range membership, and two weeks advanced tee times. Hours are 8:00am to dusk.

GREEN FEES — starting November 27, 2006:

	18 Holes Green Fees & Cart	
	Non-Prime M-Th	Prime Fri-Sat-Sun Holidays
Public	$22.00	$22.00
Senior (55 and older)	$22.00	N/A

The course will be closed on Thanksgiving for the employees to be with their families.

SERVICE TO YOUR TRIBE

Your tribal government is supported by volunteer service of tribal members on a variety of committees, including Audit, Cemetery, Culture and Language, Economic Development, Education, Election, Enrollment, Historical, Housing/ Social Services, Pow-Wow, Repatriation/NAGPRA, and Stomp Dance.

If you are willing to serve your tribe on any of these committees, please submit your name to Chief Froman or a member of the tribal office staff.

Christmas Party 2006

All Peoria Tribal members are invited to attend the 2006 Peoria Children's Christmas Party.
The party will be held at the OTTAWA/PEORIA CULTURAL CENTER on Saturday, December 9, 2006 starting at 1:00pm-3:00pm.
We will have entertainment and refreshments.
Santa will arrive at 2:00 to distribute gifts to pre-registered Peoria children.
In November registration letters were mailed to parents of Peoria children under the age of thirteen, residing within a 90 mile radius of Miami, OK. If you live outside this area and are planning on attending the party, please call the office and let me know. If you did not receive a registration letter and your child plans to attend the Christmas party, please notify me as soon as possible at the Peoria Tribal office at 1-918-540-2535 or 1-800-259-9987, I can be reached at extension 10.
There will be door prizes for our tribal elders, so bring your ENTIRE family.
Please plan to attend the Peoria Children's Christmas Party!

Financial donations to the Christmas Party Fund are always appreciated.
Please let me know if I may acknowledge your gift in an upcoming Peoria Newsletter or if you wish to remain anonymous.
Mandie Ferguson—Christmas Party Coordinator

FROM THE ENROLLMENT OFFICE

Since August, the Enrollment Office has received ninety (90) address changes, ten (10) name changes, and two (2) deceased member notifications. Twenty-five (25) duplicate membership card applications were processed. The Business Committee has approved twenty-five (25) new members, three (3) members relinquished their membership. Currently there are 2795 tribal members.

Is your State Certified Birth Certificate on file in the Enrollment Office?

The Enrollment Office is continuing to update all tribal membership files. Many members have already sent in their state certified birth certificates. To comply with Federal guidelines and be eligible for a CDIB card, issued through the BIA, a state certified birth certificate is required. Reminder; state certified birth certificates must show, state file number, state seal, state registrars signature and parentage. If you are unsure if you have a state birth certificate on file, or need assistance in acquiring one, please call the Enrollment Office. We have most state applications for birth certificates in the office. Currently there are 1185 members without a state certified birth certificate on file.

Is your name updated in your membership file?

The Enrollment Office will be glad to assist any member who needs to have their name changed. If your name has changed and you would like your enrollment file to reflect your current legal name please bring or send in your legal documentation (such as marriage license, court order, etc.) and the change can be made. If you are receiving the tribal newsletter with a previous name listed on the address label, please call the enrollment office for assistance or send your legal documentation (i.e. marriage license, court order, etc.) so your file can be updated. It has been observed, the postal service has been returning newsletters and other miscellaneous correspondence sent from the Tribe if a persons name does not match their postal record.

Missing or Change of Address

We still have several members (572) listed on the whereabouts unknown list. Any and all help is appreciated in finding these members. Several members have contacted the office with an update of family members. When the Enrollment Office receives a telephonic address change, the Enrollment Office will send a change of address form to the missing member with a request for completing the change of address form. Once the Enrollment Office receives the original, signed, completed form, the address is updated and the form is placed in the members file for accuracy. The Enrollment Office must have written documentation on file for address changes. If you know someone on the list, above the age of 18, please have them drop us a letter, with their signature, requesting the address change or send them the change of address form. If you have a child under the age of 18 (and you are the legal custodial parent) who is listed on the list, please fill out the change of address form, sign and return to the Enrollment Office.

For your convenience, a change of address form has been placed in the newsletter. If anyone has knowledge of a person or persons listed on the whereabouts unknown list, sending this form to them would be greatly appreciated. The address for returning the form is:

Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma
Attn: Enrollment Office
PO Box 1527
Miami OK 74355

Thank you to all who have and will assist in this ongoing endeavor. All help is valued.

Enrollment Ordinance Reminders

The Enrollment Office receives calls with requests for help or general enrollment information. To help members, listed below are a few reminders of the Enrollment Ordinance, which was revised and approved March 23, 2002. Below are sections of the Enrollment Ordinance of which the questions or information are typically asked.

Section 2. Dual enrollment with another Federally recognized tribe is prohibited and such prohibition shall be strictly applied; an enrolled member of another tribe shall not be eligible for membership with the Peoria Tribe. If a member of another tribe wishes to become a member of the Peoria Tribe, they must first relinquish all membership with other Federally recognized tribes.

Section 8. Each enrollment application must be completed in its entirety and must contain sufficient information to determine the applicant's eligibility for enrollment. Applicants must list the following on enrollment applications: all names by which the applicant has been known, applicant's current mailing address, name and notarized affidavit confirming applicant is not enrolled with any other Federally recognized tribe, and signature of the applicant or signature of the person filing the application on behalf of the applicant.

Section 9. Applications for enrollment must be accompanied with a State certified birth certificate. Applications received without a State certified birth certificate will not be processed. The following must be visible on State certified birth certificates:

State Seal
State File number
State Registrar's signature

State certified birth certificates must also be recorded with the State Vital Records Division of the state of birth. The following documents **are not** acceptable when accompanied with enrollment applications:

Hospital birth certificates
Baptismal certificate (even when parents' names are shown)
Heirship records
County abstracts

Approval of birth certificates issued by foreign nations or other highest-ranking governmental sub-division with jurisdiction to issue birth certificates will be at the discretion of the Enrollment Committee.

Section 18. Changes to active membership records, such as name changes due to marriage or divorce, must be made by legal documentation (i.e. marriage license, divorce decree, court order, etc.). Active members with change of addresses and other status information must notify the Enrollment Office at P.O. Box 1527, Miami, OK 74355 or by telephone at 918-540-2535 or 1-800-259-9987. Maintenance and accuracy of membership record data is the sole responsibility of each tribal member. Each tribal member is personally accountable for correct membership record information (i.e. contact information and/or name changes). The Tribal Enrollment Office will review changes to membership records to be forwarded to the Enrollment Committee; the Enrollment Committee shall certify its recommendation of approval to be approved by the Peoria Business Committee. Changes to membership records must ultimately be passed by resolution from the Business Committee and submitted to the Miami Area Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs.

If I can be of any assistance please call (918) 540-2535 or (800) 259-9987.

Submitted by,
Donna Harp, Enrollment Clerk

Whereabouts unknown list:

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Braston Ski Allen, Marilyn Kathleen Allen, Nicholas Blake Allen, Steven Michael Allen, Trevor Boston Allen, Darius Edward Anderson, Dominic Edward Anderson, Emily Renee Anderson, Kevin Michael Anderson, Travis James Atkins, Jennifer Ann Avey, Jodie Joline Avey, Joslyn Roxanne Avey

B

Angela Rae Ball, Debbi Ann Ball, Daryle Lee Basford, Judy Ann Basford, Michael Lyle Basford, Deborah Deane Bayouth, Monica Denise Bayouth, Amy L Beach, Carson James Beets, Tracy Marie Bell, Aron Wayne Bender, Donna Bergmann, Jacob Ryan Bergmann, Valerie Ann Bergmann, Autumn Gabrielle Berryman, Kenneth Anthony Bicknell, Dusty J Billie Jr., Leslie Wayne Bingham, Adrianne Rey Birge, Natasha Kaye Birge, Clifford Henry Blalock, Daniel Elijah Blalock, James Alfred Blalock, James Alfred Blalock Jr., Robert Eugene Blalock, Sherman Spencer Blalock Jr., Sarah Nicole Bloch, Jeremy Emmitt Bolin, Rebecca Ann Bonbrake, Alice Renee Boone, Theo Michael Bowman, Benny Leroy Boyd, Marvin Earl Boyd, Rodney Marvin Boyd, Timothy Michael Boyd, Pamela Jean Boyer, Sarah Davine Brackley, Angela Diana Branstetter, Jessica Lynn Branstetter, Jerry Ray Brashear, John Henry Brashear Jr., John Henry Brashear III, Deanna Lois Brewer, Crystal Lee Briscoe, Johnnie Irene Broadwell, Tina Marie Broadwell, Lesley Taylor Bross, Amanda Marie Bryant, Katherine Elena Bryant, Debra Ann Burnett, Joshua Lee Burnett, Carla Jean Burns, Robert Glen Busby, David Anthony Bustamante, Sharon Kay Buzzard, Craig Richard Byas Jr., Norman Eugene Byas Jr., Rodney Lee Bye

C

Dennis Paul Cain, Joann Denise Cain, Shawn Derrick Cain, Dana Dale Canady, Doris Evelyn Canady, Cheryl Lynn Carpenter, Crystal Ann Carpenter, Sylvia Ann Castle, KashKona Rose Cerridwen, Crystal Kay Chambers, Ester Jane Chambers, Frank Norman Chambers, Pauline Anne Chambers, Barry Lee Cheshewalla, Barry Lee Cheshewalla Jr., Melissa Marie Cheshewalla, Lisa Renee Chilcott, Ronnie Jerald Clay Jr., Jenny Denice Clemons, Joanna Lynn Clemons, Joyce LaDonna Clemons, Carla Ann Coble, Carol Ann Coble, Christopher Marvin Coble, Craig Martin Coble, Lynn Aynn-Jenet Cochran, Abraham Joseph Collins, Cheryl Denise Collins, Daryle Renee Collins, Dorothy Lorene Collins, Edward Michael Collins, Hagin Lee Collins, Lois Ann Collins, Rachel Lee Collins, Rex LaRon Collins, Patrick Ramsey Collyer, Abigail Jane Connor, Tracy Ann Conrad, Karen Leigh Cook, Richard Edmund Cook, Lawrence James Coon, Lawrence Le-Roy Cottrell II, SunShyne Rae Cottrell

D

Rebecca Ann Danielson, Michael Wayne Daugherty, George Darrell Davis, Mercedes Kimberly Davis, Rebecca Ann Davis, Richard Allen Day, Ronald George Day, Roy Filmore Day, Anita Kim Deal, Joshua James Dillbeck, Bruce Thomas Dixon, David Dewayne Dollison, Jimmy Allen Dollison, Alyson A Dowell, Jennifer Lee Downe, Aliah Jessica Drow, Nathen Richard Drow, Theodore Arol Dubber, Kenny Lee Duffell, Christopher Allen Dunaway, Meagan Nichole Dunaway, Tammy Sue Dunaway, David Alex Dyer II, Rebecca Anne Dykstra

E

Kimberly Renee Eberle, Brian Daniel Eddy, Shaun Michael Eddy, Escal Wathena Ellis, Lena Lou Ellis, Rose Willene Ellis, Darrell Lynn Ensworth, Hali Lynn Ensworth, Joshua Lynn Ensworth, Kesler Jo Ernest, Megan Mae Ervin, Matthew David Evans

F

Amanda Leigh Farias, Angelica Marie Farias, Anthony David Farias, Carla Jean Farias, Traci Lynn Fehring, Michael Wayne Ferris, Ashley Dawn Michelle Fickbohm, John Paul Fickbohm, Justin Anthony Fickbohm, Denise Renee (Maupin) Fixico, Jaime Renee Fixico, Aaron Michael Foreman, Steven Michael Foster, Brandon Keith Fox, Lois Arlene Franklin, Marilyn Renee Franklin, Shawn Lemonta Franklin, Darcie Nicole Froman, Sara Elaine Froman, William Henry Froman II, William Henry Froman III

G

Elizabeth Ann Gabriel, Tia Denise Gardner, Rita Josephine George, Leandrea Michelle Gifford, Michael Leonard Gifford, Zachary Michael Gifford, Garrett Lane Giles, Justin Donald Giles, Steven Donald Giles, Michael John Gillespie, Levi Coleman Gilstrap, Brandy Jo Gist, Dustin James Goforth, Anthony Kevin Gray, Brandon Phillip Gray, Kory Dalton Tanner Gray, Marcie Anne Gray, Tracey Lea Gray, Burgundy Jean Gregg, Benjamin Joel Gutierrez

H

Jennifer Rose Hagberg, Kimberly Ann Hall, Jessica Lea Hallsworth, Jenasea Lynn Hannah, John Erich Hannah, Jeff David Hargrove, Alexisa Crachelle Harvey, Bradley Mark Harvey, Charles Louis Harvey II, Kristin Nicole Hatfield, Pamela Kay Hatfield, Benjamin Ledel Hawkins, Mary Carly Hawkins, Hossain Thomas Hedges, Jacob Tyler Hedges, Lacey Dawn Hedges, Michele Yvonne Hedges, Walter Angus Hedges, Jerry Lynn Heffernan, Charles Earldean Helmick III, Randall Gene Helmick, Kathy Lynn Hernandez, Chelsie Nicole Hill, Darin Mark Hillier, Scott Patrick Hillier, Courtney JoAnna Hingst, Tamara Colleen Hochhalter, Elizabeth Maria Hoehn, Violet Marie Holttum, Joshua Ray Huffmon, Avery John Hutchison

I

Douglas Wayne Ingle, Connie Lee Iredale

J

Cassandra Lee Johnson, Ronald Lee Johnson, Suzanne Jo Johnson, Michael Lunt Johnson II, Cheryl Candice Jones, Crystal L Jones, Jermiah Jacob Jones, Lancer LeRay Jones, Robert A. Jones, Robert Oran Jones, Trista D. Jones, Mary Alice Jumper

K

Robin Christine Keith, Twylo June Keller, David Wayne Kelly Jr., David Wayne Kelly III, Kyle David Kelly, Cynthia Lucille Kienel, Debbie Sue Kienel, Billy Joe Killough, Guthrie Robert Killough, Jacob Kyle Killough, Jan Colbert Killough, Bryan DuWayne King, Chad Everet King, Harold Robert King, Herbert Charles King, Jerry Lee King, Keeli Carter King, Kevin Carter King, Tammra Kay King, Natalie Marie Kirk, Nickolas Mitchell Kirk, Noah Michael Kirk, Allison Louise Knighten, Eric Lewis Knighten, Eric Philip Knighten, Jess Aaron Knighten, Jessica Dianne Knighten, Lauren Elizabeth Knighten, Mark Timothy Knighten, Nicholas Joel Knighten, Paul Dory Knighten, Philip Nathanial Knighten, Seth Warren Knighten, Hahns Owen Krutsinger, Mindy Anne Krutsinger

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Nathan Immanuel Lafalier, Amy Dawn Lamkin, Herbert Leroy Bidwell Lamkin Jr., Laurie Leigh Lamkin, Meredith Dawn Lamkin, Julia Beatrice Lammers, Lennis Steven Lammers, Travis Lee Landers, Robert Laurence Lanning, Jennifer Dawn LaQuey, Melissa Gale LaQuey,

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PEORIA TRIBE
SUMMARY OF TRUST FUNDS

September 30, 2006

ACTIVITY			TOTAL	YTD INTEREST INCOME
114 ACRES AT WYANDOTTE			$74.85	2.74
PEORIA DESCENDANTS	PRINCIPAL	0	9,383.52	328.84
	INTEREST	9,383.52		
EDUCATION (Transfer)			742.07	26.10
EDUCATION	PRINCIPAL	176,379.04	199,010.85	4,657.74
	INTEREST	22,631.81		
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	PRINCIPAL	171,620.83	188,515.95	4,009.46
	INTEREST	16,895.12		
LAND ACQUISITION	PRINCIPAL	171,620.83	188,567.98	4,011.21
	INTEREST	16,947.15		
BURIAL	PRINCIPAL	57,201.92	64,770.31	1,250.12
	INTEREST	7,568.39		
TRIBAL GOV'T	PRINCIPAL	570,128.51	686,690.63	15,158.70
	INTEREST	116,562.12		
LEGAL	PRINCIPAL	57,201.92	65,706.85	1,282.80
	INTEREST	8,504.93		
TOTAL			1,403,463.01	30,727.71

SUMMARY	
OVERNIGHTER (U.S. TREASURY)	324,758.37
INVESTMENTS	1,078,704.64
TOTAL	1,403,463.01

Motorcycle Tags Now Available

Members of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma can now title and tag motorcycles. The Miami Nation Tag Agent, which issues Peoria tribal vehicle tags, will issue motorcycle tags upon receipt of the following information/documents:

Original Title
Tribal Membership Card
Oklahoma Drivers License
Current Insurance Verification

The title fee for all tags is $25. The tag fee for motorcycles is $35 at issuance and at annual renewal.

Tag applications are processed on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at the offices of the Miami Nation Tag Agent between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. For more information, please call the Tag Agent at 918-542-1445.

MODOC TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA

515 G SE
Miami, OK 74354
918-542-1190 Fax: 918-542-5415

Sale on Buffalo Meat

Burger – 1.5 lbs.	$5.25 each
Burger Patties – 3pk =1lb	$4.25 lb
Chuck Roast	$5.00 lb
Sirloin Rump	$7.00 lb
Rump Roast	$7.00 lb
Pikes Peak	$6.00 lb
T-bone Steak	$9.00 lb
Porterhouse Steak	$10.00 lb
Ribeye Steak	$12.00 lb
Sirloin Steak	$8.00 lb
Rib Steak	$12.00 lb
Round Steak	$5.00 lb
Brisket	$4.00 lb
Liver	$2.00 lb
Tenderloins	$9.00 lb
Summer Sausage	$6.00 each
Snack Sticks 4 pk	$5.00 each
Snack Sticks – singles	$1.50 each
Jerky – 5oz	$7.00 each

Buffalo Calf Ministries

Geoff and Kim Buffalo

Interested in a Native American based, non-denominational Bible study? If so please call 918-542-7723.

In Memory Of:

Bonnie Lou (Smith) Burns
06/12/2006

Kyle Austin Shores
06/19/2006

Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma

Unaudited Summary Expenditure Budget Report
As of 09/30/2006
(In Whole Dollars)

Open FY 2007 Programs

Account Title	Currently Budgeted	Cumulative Expenditures	Budget Remaining
Indian Child Welfare	67,782	-	67,782
Damage Assessment Project	6,000		
Fish & Wildlife	249,997		
National Parks Service	42,740		
Title VI Elderly Feeding Grant	135,290	66,026	69,264
Indirect Cost Pool	312,156	146,945	165,211
Tribal Properties	128,285	11,104	117,181
Trading Post	5,099	320 *	4,779
Children's Christmas Special Revenue Fund	2,500	2,891	(391)
Gaming Commission	355,200	109,665	245,535
Cemetery Special Revenue Fund	6,397	3,550	2,848
Pow Wow Fund*	22,945	17,576	5,369
Education/Activity 2617	290,000	194,000	96,000
Economic Development / Activity 2614	120,000	-	120,000
Land Acquisition/Activity	802,800	621,272	181,528
Burial / Activity 2617	85,000	40,897	44,103
Tribal Government / Activity 2621	758,650	35,122	723,528
Legal Fees / Activity 2627	25,000	488	24,513
Totals FY 2007	**3,415,841**	**1,249,854**	**1,867,250**

Open FY 2006 Programs

Account Title	Currently Budgeted	Actual Cumulative Expenditures	Total Budget Remaining
Aid To Tribal Government Contract	213,931.00	33717.56	180,213
Indian Child Welfare	99,779	44,692	55,087
Damage Assessment Project	6,000	3,101	2,899
Higher Education Grant	49,814	48,000	1,814
Housing Improvement Program Contract	126	-	126
IRR Roads	19,565		
Water Resources Contract	224	-	224
Title VI Elderly Feeding Grant	136,940	134,602	2,338
Title IV B	3,189	-	3,189
Library Grant	5,000	5,723	(723)
GAP	117,500	39,839	77,661
Community Health Representative	47,153	43,304	3,849
Fish & Wildlife	240,000	129,768	110,232
National Park Service	25,000	23,790	1,210
Air Program	108,190	87,453	20,737
Pesticide	31,580	28,328	3,252
Water Quality Program	77,895	49,186	28,709
Solid Waste	62,807	48,923	13,884
ICW Contracted	27,000	7,230	19,770
Totals FY 2006	**1,271,693**	**727,657**	**524,471**

Open FY 2005 Programs

Aid to Tribal Government Contract	231,491	200,350	31,141
Indian Child Welfare	108,497	101,432	7,065
Housing Improvement Program	96	-	96
Damage Assessment Project	7,207	7,373	(166)
Indian Reservation Roads 2% Planning Funds	6,324	296	6,028
Water Resources Contract	28,500	20,028	8,472
Community Health Representative	46,408	46,175	233
Promoting Safe and Stable Families	27,587	26,221	1,366
Indian Child Welfare Tribally Contracted Program	27,000	22,985	4,015
Totals FY 2004	**483,110**	**424,860**	**58,250**

Open FY 2004 Programs

Aid to Tribal Government Contract	317,952	286,437	31,515
Indian Child Welfare	110,101	109,186	915
Housing Improvement Program	157	84	73
Indian Reservation Roads 2% Planning Funds	6,554	4,195	2,359
Water Resources Contract	12,378	8,690	3,688
Peoria Emergency Housing Assistance Program	25,000	7,430	17,570
Indian Child Welfare Tribally Contracted Program	27,000	26,988	12
Totals FY 2004	**499,142**	**443,011**	**56,131**

Open FY 2003 Programs

Higher Education Grant	52,388	51,977	411
Housing Improvement Program	98,845	2,094	96,751
Indian Reservation Roads 2% Planning Funds	8,243	8,187	56
Totals FY 2003	**159,476**	**62,258**	**97,218**

Open FY 2002 Programs

Housing Improvement Program	148,304	459	147,845
Totals FY 2002	**148,304**	**459**	**147,845**

Open FY 2001 Programs

Housing Improvement Program	106,077	98,441	7,636
Totals FY 2002	**106,077**	**98,441**	**7,636**

Toot Your Own Horn

This summer, **Ben Lawrence** received a Master of Science degree in Chemical Engineering from Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, Oklahoma. Ben is interested in medical research and is currently working on tissue engineering. His research revolves around synthetic materials that can be used to regenerate damaged tissue. In his spare time, he entertains groups with his juggling, magic, balloon animals, and general zaniness. Ben is continuing his education at OSU and is working on a PhD in Chemical Engineering.

Tim Lawrence has always dreamed of becoming a professional baseball player. This summer, he realized that dream when he signed a contract with the Chicago White Sox organization. Tim played baseball on the advanced rookie farm team in Great Falls, Montana over the summer. This fall he is attending the University of Arkansas in Little Rock and working on a degree in Business Management. In the spring of 2007, Tim will attend spring training for the White Sox in Tucson, Arizona.

We are very proud of Ben and Tim and all of the hard work they have put into their accomplishments. We would like to thank our extended family, friends, professors, coaches, scouts, the Peoria Tribe and its Scholarship Committee for all of their support and assistance.

Larry & Sharon Lawrence, the proud parents of Tulsa, Oklahoma
Carl & Marge Lawrence, proud grandparents of Tulsa, Oklahoma
Red & Rosella Curtis, proud grandparents of Gardiner, Montana

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Melvin DeWayne LaQuey, Candy Ann Leady, Crystal Lee Leady, John Michael Leady, Michael Anthony Leady, Timothy Ray Leady, Hannah Jo Leone, Tyler Daniel Cole Leone, Ben Forrest Lindsly, Leslie Elizabeth Lindsly, Olivia Renee Lindsly, Stacy Mignette Lindsly, Thomas Garrett Lindsly, David Ronald Lippke Jr., Linda Ann Lippke, Lori Lynn Lippke, Caron Nicole Littlecook, Cody Ryan LittleCook, Wesley Tyler Littlecook, Eric Allen Loch, Amy Nicole Logan, Jon David Logan, Phillip DeWayne Logan, Phillip Louis Logan, Robert Lee Logan, Charles Abron Loman

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Gary Duane Mahsetky Jr., Rebecca Arlene Mahsetky, Katie Michelle Maley, Tara Leigh Marker, David Brian Marshall, Donnie Allen Marshall, Michael David Marshall, William Bradley Marshall, William Stephen Marshall, Brian Christopher Martin, Gregory Dean Martin, Jeramie Leon Martin, Jessica Angell Martin, Jon Austin Martin, Kenneth James Martin, Martha Jean Martin, Noreen Jane Martin, Silas Nacoma Martin, William Ward Massad, Angela Renee Masters, Benjamin John Masters, Benjamin John Masters Jr., Joseph John Mathias, Jedidiah Ray Mathis, Krisalynn Dawn Joel Mathis, Peter Joel Mathis, David Wayne Gordon Maupin, Dennis Dewayne Maupin, Laiken Rain Mazac, Sharon Genene McArthur, Ashley Elaine McFarland, Brittny Zane McKinney, Geno Terrence McKinney, Myles Harrison McMullen, Shane Lennon McMullen, Rebecca Elizabeth Means, Samuel Elmer Means, Bryan Scott Merrell, Bonny Elizabeth Merrick, Todd Joseph Michael, Yvonne Marie Michael, Bryan Timothy Miles, Brooke Anne Miller, Daniel Lee Miller Jr., Jacob Lester Miller, Kristi Marie Miller-Gilstrap, Kayla Jayne Miller-Metzger, Amber Dawn Mitchell, Jon Edward Mitchell, Macy D. Mitchell, Tonya Wanee Mitchell, Jennifer Joleen Moore, Micah Jo Moore, Michael Lee Moore, Thomas Eugene Moore, James Raymond Allan Moorehead, Susan Lorena Moorehead, Jeffrey Michael Morris, Kevin Leon Munson, Jean Marie Murphree, Christopher Lynn Murrow, Bruce Anthony Myers

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Emily Sybil Padgham, Seth Jennings Padgham, Sherri Lee Padgham, Sharon Lynne Parker, Tamara Dee Parszewski, Andrew Jason Pavey, Jackie Sue Pavey, Clara Bernice Payton, Kambree Cheyenne Payton, David Andrew Peckham, Jesse Alan Peckham, Joshua Mitchell Peckham, Kurtis Ray Peckham, Lynette Yvonne Peckham, Erick Bryan Peery, Guy Edward Peery, John Phillip Peery III, Mary Kathrine Peery, Mathew James Peery, Christopher Alan Penn II, MaryAnn Elizabeth Penn, Daniel Keith Perry, Nicole Leanne Peterman, Andrea Nichole Pogue, Don Paul Pogue, Kristi Lea Pogue, Jamee Dawn Pruitt

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Anthony Eugene Randle Jr., Brevin Andrew Randle, Nathan Devon Randle, Rex Ann Randle, Suzann Randt, Laura Gail Reed, Marcia Leigh Reid, Lillymae Diane Roblyer, Danny Russel Rocker, Matthew Clay Rocker, Michael Gordon Rocker, Richard Nathaniel Rocker, Russell Ray Rocker, Stephanie Ann Rocker, Crystal Lynn Roe, Patricia Lynn Rogers, Buster Lance Roseberry, Don Thomas Roseberry, Jennie Dawn Rosebery, Jessyca Lynn Roseberry, Karmen May Rosen, Kendra Jolene Rosen, Kevin Ray Rosen, Christopher Nowell Ross, Lisa Mae Ross, Laura Lee Rostad

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Michelle Lynn Sanders, Jaime Ann Sartin, Robert Joseph Satterfield, Jon David Saxton, Timothy Michael Saxton, Nathan Jay Lee Sayers, Wiley Jay Brian Sayers, Amy Noel Scott, Derek Wayne Scott, Jordan Paige Sears, Marcus Allen Sears, Brian Alexander Shamblin, Buster Arthur Shamblin, Buster Arthur Shamblin Jr., April Renee Shores, Christen Michelle Silva, Haylee Nycole Silva, Cecilia Ann Simmons, Melissa Ann Simmons, Shannon Daniell Simmons, Michael Shea Sims, Adam Christopher Skye, Bartley Tobius Skye, Billy Longbone Skye, Lennia Anne Skye, Seth Elijah Skye, Sierra Sheila Skye, Cameron Blake Sloan, Chelsey Rae Sloan, Kathryn Louise Sloan, Will Joseph Sloan, Will Owen Sloan, Angela Michelle Smith, David William Smith, Devin Michael Smith, Dontau Tahrel Smith, Faimond Tahlaja Smith, Faith Marie Smith, Gene Andrew Smith, Jeffrey Ernest Smith, Jeffrey James Smith, Jeremy Elias Smith, Joshua Jay Smith, Katherine Sue Smith, Kathleen Adele Smith, Kevin Anthony Smith, Lucy Nadine Smith, Melissa Lee Smith, Michael Daniel Smith II, Rebecca Lynn Smith, Ryan Bailey Smith, Steven Thomas Smith, Tarenaw Jo Smith, Tyler Reed Smith, Colt Wesley Southern, Dooley Ray James Southern, Mary Elizabeth Southern, Rowdy Cole Southern, Sharon Kay Southern, Nicole Rae Spencer, Courtnee Sophia Squires, Jeana Renee Stand, Jolene Lavoy Stand, Tammy Jo Stand, Bobbie Rae Starr, Tava Marie Steel, Cortney Asher Stell, Glen Michael Stice, Kathleen K. Stice, Micaiah A. Stice, Terri Lynne Stites, George Daniel Stokes, Carrie Lynn Stout, David Roy Stout, David Roy Stout Jr., Helen Leona Stout, Jacob Phern Stout, Jane Sus-anne Stout, Mary Renee Stout

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Cody Cawee Tate, Jerri Rae Tate, Trisha Denise Tate, Joseph Lee Taylor, Jeremy Edward Thacker, Joshua Daniel Keith Thacker, Jennifer Christina Thomas, Mandy Helen Thomas, Olivia Mae Murrel Thurman, David Alton Torbit, Evelyn Carey Trotter, Natassja Raylene Turley, Tyrone Vernon Tutt

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Brian Christopher Valley, Danielle Nicole Valley, Gregory Phillip Valley, Joe Leon Valley Jr., Justin Ray Valley, James Andrew Vest, Laura Lynn Vest, Dena Louise Vogt

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Amanda Robin Walker, Amanda Suzanne Walker, Jamie Jean Walker, Jan Denae Walker, Jennifer Erin Walker, Jeremiah Wade Walker, Jacob Michael Wammack, Kari Pauline Wammack, Staci Lyn Ward, Jim Marion Watters, Mary Louise Watters, Rhonda Charlene Watts, Aaron Matthew Webb, Barbara Lynell Webb, Joshua Michael Webb, Jennifer Lea Weller, Linda Susan Weller, Sandy Marie Weller, Nathan Luke Werenka, Linnel Brent Werremeyer, Christopher James Westphal, Karen Rae White, Kimberly Ann White, Matthew Louis White, Nathan Allen White, Ronald Allen White, Aaron Tyler Williams, Buddy Charles Williams, Carol Francis Williams, Francis Williams, Jesse Ryan Williams, Lloyd Perry Williams, Meleni Pamela Williams, Damon Aundreas Dillon Winston, Murphy James Winston III, Laura Lee Wren

INFORMATION FROM THE PEORIA HOUSING AUTHORITY

Service area is as follows: Ottawa and Delaware Counties

DO YOU PAY RENT?

Why pay rent when you can buy a house. Did you know the Peoria Housing Authority has programs to help you do that? We offer several programs including Mutual Help, Guaranteed Loans, and Down Payment Assistance. So, if you need help in any of these situations we may be able to help you. Our telephone number is (918)5420-1873, and our office is located at 3606 Sencay Ave. in Miami, OK.

DO YOU NEED HELP WITH HOUSING IMPROVEMENTS?

The Peoria Housing Authority has a program available that could help with this process; it is called the Housing Improvement Program (HIP). The program is available to homeowners or a person that is presently buying a home. Come by the office to find out more about the program and fill out an application. We will be glad to answer any questions that you may have.

HOMEOWNERSHIP

We have many programs available to current homeowners and those who wish to own their own home.

HOMEBUYER CLASSES

These classes present information on qualifying for a loan, the mortgage loan process, personal financial management, and home maintenance.

HOMEOWNERSHIP PROGRAMS

You do not have to be low income to qualify for some of our programs. We have loan programs available to any Native American who can meet credit qualifications. We also have subsidized loan programs for Native Americans who qualify under HUD or Rural Development's low income requirements. Call out staff at 918-542-1873. They will be happy to answer your questions and help you find the right program to meet your circumstances.

EDUCATION

I mailed out 137 renewal applications and 10 new applications for the Spring 2007 semester. The Education Committee will meet in January 2007. At the September 5, 2006 Business Committee Meeting the Business Committee approved a part time funding application for the Education Program. The guidelines are the same but the amount of the for part time students is $1,000 for 6-11 credit hours per semester. This part-time will start Spring 2007. You will still need to submit a renewal application for these semesters if you are a renewal student.

Financial need is not one of the criteria for the Peoria scholarship. Every Peoria full-time college student is encouraged to apply. Please feel free to stop by the Peoria Tribal Office for other financial aid or scholarship information. It is never too early to obtain a scholarship application. You may do so by writing Education Director, Peoria Tribe, P.O. Box 1527, Miami, OK 74355; by phoning the Peoria office 1-918-540-2535 ext 10 or 1-800-259-9987 ext 10; or check it out on the Peoria Tribal website, www.peoriatribe.com.

Application deadlines are July 31 for the Fall semester and December 31 for the Spring semester. Incomplete or postage due applications will not be considered. Students who accept scholarship funds but do not complete their obligation of 12 semester hours and maintain a 2.5 GPA forfeit their eligibility for one semester.

If you know a Peoria student who has received scholastic honors or other special recognition at his or her school, please let the Education Director know. The Peoria Tribe is proud of our students and would like to acknowledge their accomplishments in a future newsletter. If you have a family member who won't "toot their own horn", please do it for them. I can be reached at 1-800-259-9987, or 1-918-540-2535. Please feel free to call me with any questions you may have about the scholarship program or about the new part-time funding.

Mandie Ferguson
Education Director

ELECTION NOTICE

The Election Committee of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma announces a Tribal Election for the following positions: Secretary and Third Councilman. The election will be held on **Saturday, March 3, 2007**, at the Peoria Tribal Office, 118 South Eight Tribes Trail in Miami, Oklahoma. Polls will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Any member of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma shall be eligible to vote, provided the member is eighteen (18) years of age or over on the date of election. Members will be required to show either their Tribal Card or Driver's License at time of voting. The ballots will be counted and tabulated and the results announced immediately. In the event of a tie, a run-off election will be conducted immediately.

According to the Election Ordinance, in the event that only one candidate files for elective office, that candidate shall be declared elected. In the event that a candidate is declared elected, it will not be necessary for the Peoria Tribe to conduct an election, by ballot, for that elective office. Furthermore, in the event that a candidate is declared elected, that candidate shall assume office immediately.

In the event that no one files for an elective office in accordance with the forty-five (45) day Nomination policy, the Election Committee shall issue a second Election Notice.

Candidacy Filing Deadline

All candidates must file their Declaration of Candidacy forms and pay the filing fee, in person, with the Election Committee or the Committee's designated representative at the Peoria Tribal office building, 118 South Eight Tribes Trail in Miami, Oklahoma, during normal working hours (8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday). **The deadline for filing is 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 16, 2007**. ***Please note the tribal office will be closed Monday, January 15, 2007, in observance of a Federal holiday.***

QUALIFICATIONS OF CANDIDATES

The following qualifications for candidates must be satisfied in accordance with the Constitution of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma:

Article IX, Section 5

Qualifications of Candidates – Any member of the Peoria Tribe who is at least twenty-five (25) years of age on the date of election; and who has never been convicted of a felony in a court of competent jurisdiction, shall qualify as a candidate for membership on the Business Committee or Grievance Committee.

Any member of the Peoria Tribe who files for an elective office and is currently holding another elective Tribal office, will upon filing, immediately resign his or her present office. Resigning from a present office will apply only if an incumbent files for a different elective office.

Article IX, Section 6

Nominations – Nominations for the Business Committee and the Grievance Committee shall be filed with the Election Committee at least forty-five (45) days prior to the election in accordance with the Election Ordinance.

FILING PROCEDURES

Filing procedures are prescribed by the Election Ordinance and governed by the Constitution of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma.

Candidate For Office: Any qualified member of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma who desires his/her name to be placed on the ballot as a candidate for any elective office, shall file a Declaration of Candidacy form with the Election Committee or the Committee's designated representative. The official form shall be provided by the Peoria Tribe. The prospective candidate's membership shall be verified by the Tribal Enrollment Officer and a background investigation conducted by the Election Committee.

Declaration of Candidacy: The Declaration of Candidacy shall be in writing in the form prescribed by the Election Committee and filed in person during normal working hours, at least forty-five (45) days prior to the election, at the Peoria Tribal office building or other designated location. No person shall be a candidate for more than one (1) position on the Business Committee at any time.

Filing Fee: There shall be a non-refundable fee of Twenty-five Dollars ($25.00) paid by prospective candidates for the elected offices. The filing fee shall be by cash, certified check, or money order, made payable to the Peoria Tribe. The filing fee shall be paid, in person, on the same date the prospective candidate submits his/her Declaration of Candidacy. This filing fee shall be deposited into the Tribal treasury for the use of the Tribe to defray all expenses incurred as a result of the election.

Withdrawal: A person seeking an elected office may withdraw his/her Declaration of Candidacy by filing a written notice of withdrawal, in person, with the Election Committee or designated representative. The notice of withdrawal shall be filed during normal working hours at the Peoria Tribal office building or other designated location. Such notice shall contain the candidate's name, address and the position for which he/she is a candidate. Also, such notice shall be signed by the candidate and notarized. If a candidate withdraws after ballots have been printed, the Election Committee shall post notices to that effect at the voting place and within the voting booths and make a line through or otherwise obliterate the candidate's name from the ballots. Any votes cast for a withdrawn candidate shall not be counted.

Verify Qualifications of Candidates: The Election Committee shall review all filings for the elected office to ascertain that the prospective candidates meet the qualifications set forth in Article IX, Section 5 of the Constitution of the Peoria Tribe. The Election Committee shall make these determinations no later than ten (10) days following receipt of Declaration of Candidacy form. If the Election Committee determines that a person is not eligible to be a candidate, the Election Committee or designated representative shall notify that person in writing by certified mail, return receipt requested, of their decision. That person's name shall not be included on the ballot. The ineligible person may appeal, in writing, the Election Committee's decision to the Business Committee at the next monthly meeting of the Business Committee.

SUMMARY OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING, AUGUST 1, 2006

Motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda with the addition of Resolution R-08-01-06-E, "Approval of Amendment to Development Agreement" and Resolution R-08-01-06-F, "Approval for use of Specified Photographs of Items from the Peoria Tribe Archaeological Collection at Illinois State Museum" under New Business as items E and F, respectively. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of July 11, 2006 as submitted. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to approve the financial reports for June 2006 as submitted. Motion carried unanimously. Six resolutions were presented and upon motions duly made and seconded, all were approved by unanimous votes: (1) Resolution R-08-01-06-A, "A Resolution to Request Funding for the Development of Tribal Water Resources"; (2) Resolution R-08-01-06-B, "Request for Transfer of Funds from Peoria Tribal Tax Commission Account to Tribal Enterprises Account"; (3) Resolution R-08-01-06-C, "Authorization to Provide Employee Direct Deposit of Payroll Funds and to Change Payroll Account from Security Bank and Trust Company to Welch State Bank of Miami, Oklahoma"; (4) Resolution R-08-01-06-D, "Approval for Submission of Request for Pesticide Testing Project Funding from Environmental Protection Agency"; (5) Resolution R-08-01-06-E, "Approval of Amendment to Development Agreement"; and (6) Resolution R-08-01-06-F, "Approval for use of Specified Photographs of Items from the Peoria Tribe Archaeological Collection at Illinois State Museum". Motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.

REGULAR MEETING, SEPTEMBER 5, 2006

Motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of August 1, 2006 as submitted. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to approve the financial reports for July 2006 as submitted. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to approve the recommendations of the Education Committee to change the scholarship program to fund part-time students, from 6-11 hours, at the current rate of $2,000 per semester. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to approve the reappointment of Don Kropp and John Froman to the Peoria Housing Authority Board of Commissioners. Motion carried by a vote of 4 for and 1 abstention. Motion was made and seconded to approve the appointment of Kevin Bullard to the Peoria Tribal Gaming Commission. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to approve the new members as recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Motion carried unanimously. Two resolutions were presented: (1) Resolution R-09-05-06-A, "Approval for Changes to the Peoria Tribal Membership Roll" and (2) Resolution R-09-05-06-B, "Approval of Standards for Incident Management for Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma". Both were approved upon motions duly made and seconded which carried by unanimous votes. Motion was made and seconded to go into Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to return to Open Session. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to approve the increase for Faye Woods, Environmental Specialist, a merit increase of $1,000 annually. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.

REGULAR MEETING, OCTOBER 3, 2006

After calling the meeting to order , Chief Froman read a letter received from Claude Landers resigning from his position as First Councilman effective October 3, 2006. That information was forwarded to the Election Committee for appropriate action in accordance with the Constitution. Motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of September 5, 2006 as corrected. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to approve the financial reports for August 2006 as submitted. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to accept the proposal of Mark Rendel for lease of the recently acquired Babcock Property. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to approve the new members as recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Motion carried unanimously. Resolution R-10-03-06-A, "Approval for Changes to the Peoria Tribal Membership Roll" was approved by unanimous vote upon motion duly made and seconded. Motion was made and seconded to approve the FY 2007 Budget Revisions as requested by the Peoria Tribal Gaming Commission. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to approve the Election Ordinance with a revision to Section 7 by deleting "filing date for Declaration of Candidacy" at the end of the first paragraph and inserting "a list of qualified candidates for the offices to be filled". Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to go into Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to return to Open Session. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to hire Tracy Anderson as director of the Child Care Development Program at her current salary level. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.

THE FOLLOWING LETTER WERE SUBMITTED BY THE CANDIDATES RUNNING FOR THE FIRST COUNCILMAN POSITION ON THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Dear Tribal Members,
My name is Carolyn Garren and I'm running for First Councilman's position on the Business Committee. Let me tell you about myself. I know a lot of you know who I am, but for those who do not:

I was born and raised in Ottawa County. I came from a large family, seven brothers and sisters, all who live in Miami area except our youngest sister who lives in Tulsa. I have a daughter Sheila Wyrick and her husband David. They have two daughters, Ashley and Aimee. Ashley and Ryan have three children, my great-grandchildren, MaKayla, Jacoby, and Garren Jackson.

Aimee has worked in the Peoria Tribal office the past two summers. I have worked with the Business Committee in the past, and have worked in the Peoria Tribal office for a short while. I am interested in keeping up with the business on a daily, weekly, and monthly basis. We are so fortunate to have so much going for our tribe and I certainly want to keep us doing well. I will work hard at whatever comes our way. You can count on me! Now, may I count on you? I would appreciate you vote on December 9, 2006.

Thank you,
Carolyn Garren
1427 Park Heights
Miami, OK 74354

Peoria Tribal Members,

With the upcoming Special Election for the First Councilman of the Peoria Tribe I would like to introduce myself as a candidate for the position. I currently live in Miami and am a lifelong resident of the Quapaw and Miami area. I am the son of JoAnn Greenfeather and the grandson of Mary Olsen. As a young member of the Peoria Tribe I feel that I have the time, energy, and ability to serve on the Business Committee for the upcoming term.

The Tribe appears to have a bright future in store and I believe that I would be an asset to the committee. Your vote for me on December 9, 2006 would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

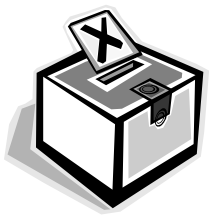
P.J. Attocknie

Dear Tribal Members,

My name is James G.T. Steel and I am one of the three candidates running for the First Councilman position on the Business Committee. I was born in Tulsa, Oklahoma in 1956. I have attended NEO A&M College of Miami, Oklahoma and MSSU of Joplin, Missouri. I have served for two years on the enrollment committee until I had to leave due to my job at which time I had to transfer to Northern Kansas. I am now living in Claremore, Oklahoma working as an Assistant Manager where I have been employed for five years.

Thank you and I look forward to your vote on December 9, 2006.

James G.T. Steel



INTERESTING FACTS

Tribal membership by birth month as of May 2006:
January – 238, February – 232, March – 227, April – 205, May – 249, June – 238, July – 215, August – 276, September – 245, October – 208, November – 232, and December – 223.

As of March 2006, members listed with current addresses on file resided in the following states: Alabama – 8, Alaska – 10, Arizona – 66, Arkansas – 33, California – 269, Colorado – 27, Connecticut – 1, Delaware – 0, District of Columbia – 0, Florida – 15, Georgia – 27, Hawaii – 3, Idaho – 50, Illinois – 16, Indiana – 5, Iowa – 90, Kansas – 133, Kentucky – 5, Louisiana – 8, Maine – 1, Maryland – 6, Massachusetts – 9, Michigan – 16, Minnesota – 3, Mississippi – 0, Missouri – 153, Montana – 4, Nebraska – 1, Nevada – 19, New Hampshire – 0, New Jersey – 7, New Mexico – 16, New York – 8, North Carolina – 1, North Dakota – 7, Ohio – 8, Oklahoma – 738, Oregon – 67, Pennsylvania – 8, Rhode Island – 1, South Carolina – 9, South Dakota – 0, Tennessee – 7, Texas – 84, Utah – 2, Vermont – 0, Virginia – 7, Washington – 243, West Virginia – 0, Wisconsin – 7, Wyoming – 4, Other Countries – 3.

370 people were listed on the 1937 base roll. Of those individuals: 95 are listed on the current active membership roll; 250 are listed on the deceased membership roll; 2 are listed as relinquished; and 23 are listed as unknown (*not listed on the active, deceased, relinquished or disenrolled lists*)

Child Care Program

The Tribe has been awarded the Child Care Development Fund Grant (CCDF) through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families. The CCDF program will assists eligible families with their financial obligations for child care. The program permits parents to choose from a broad range of child care providers, including day care centers, family child care services, and relatives. Emphasis is placed on parental choice and decisions regarding the type and location of child care providers. The CCDF program is expected to have an overall beneficial impact on the family.

To qualify for this program the children must:

- ☺ be under 13 years of age; or be under age 19 and physically or mentally incapable of caring for them; or under court supervision.
- ☺ Reside with a family whose income does not exceed the maximum net income level. There will be some deductions considered. Income level does not apply to the children that are physically or mentally incapable of caring for them.
- ☺ Reside with a parent, parents or guardian who are gainfully employed or attending a job training or educational program; or receive, or need to receive, protective services.
- ☺ be Indian or reside in the household of an eligible Indian child, with at least one eligible Indian parent or a person standing place of the child's parent.
- ☺ must live within 100 miles radius from the Peoria Tribe Administrative office and in the states of Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, or Arkansas.

If you are interested in child care assistance, please call Tracy, ext. 20, at 1-800-259-9987 or 918-540-2535.

Tribal Member Recognized by Community

Tribal member Mary Davey has been recognized by her community, Greece, NY, as Greece Volunteer Honoree 2006. In presenting the award, Max Strieble described Mary's dedication to educating and teaching children. Her specialty has been helping children learn and grow through hands-on teaching skills and helping children grow intellectually and socially. She knows how to bring out their strengths and quest for knowledge as she follows her dream to teach and prepare young adults as life-long learners and for tomorrow's challenges.

A life-time member of the Girl Scout organization, she has, over the past twenty years, mentored over 250 girls in the town of Greece by helping them develop confidence, courage, and character. Many of the girls have now graduated from college and returned to the Girl Scout movement as leaders, teaching others what she has taught them.

The Peoria Tribe joins in applauding Mary's service to our youth and her community. Mary is the daughter of Mary Lembcke. (See photo on back page)

PROMOTING SAFE AND STABLE FAMILIES

The Promoting Safe and Stable Families (PSSF) money has not been received from the state. We will not know the amount for each child till we receive the check. The money is to be used to help with the purchase of school clothes and school supplies or other expenses that pertain to school. If you received your check, from the last six months. Please get your receipts in and proof of enrollment for the next six months to the Tribe. The guidelines for the PSSF program are that you must live within a 100 mile radius from the Peoria Tribal Headquarters, within the State of Oklahoma. Another one is only enrolled tribal children that are in grades K-12 are eligible for this service. Proof of enrollment in the Tribe and school verifications are required. You must return the receipts back to the Peoria Tribe in order to be eligible for the next issuing period. The rules are not set up by the Tribe; they are requirements of the Grant. There is only a certain amount of money. Once the money is gone for that period there is nothing the Tribe can do till we receive more money from the funding agency. If you have any question, please feel free to contact Tracy Anderson, ext.20

Request for Change of Address

Date: _____

Tribal Member:

_____ (First Name) _____ (Middle Name) _____ (Maiden Name/Last Name)

DOB: _____ _____ (Social Security Number) Roll No. _____

New Address: Old Address:

_____ Address _____ Address

_____ City State Zip _____ City State Zip

_____ Home Phone _____ E-mail

_____ Signature of applicant

Please list all tribal members of household who will need to have address changed:

_____ (Name) (Date of Birth) (SSN) _____ (Name) (Date of Birth) (SSN)

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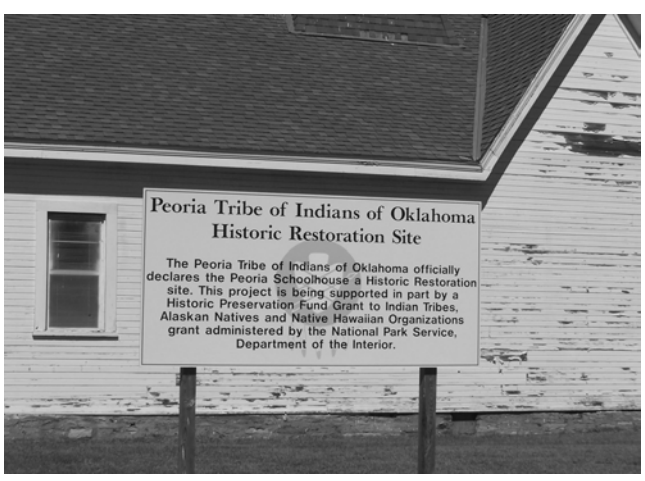
THE ENVIRONMENTAL CORNER

" Caretakers "

At present, there are two major projects ongoing in the area of solid wastes as administered by the Peoria Tribe Environmental Department. The current grant in progress is the Characterization and Assessment of Open Dumps within Peoria Tribal jurisdiction. In the scope of work accomplished by this grant, as previously reported, nine major areas of serious concern, i.e. large open and on-going illegal dump sites, and numerous smaller sites, have been identified. Not only are these sites an eyesore, they are environmentally damaging. Also because of their location, one being in a watershed that empties into a creek which in turn empties into a major river within the Peoria jurisdiction, another located within a watershed that empties into the same river, they pose a serious human health hazard and are environmentally damaging. The goal of this project is that, after assessing the risk factors of these open dumps, measures can be taken not only to clean up those dump sites, and equally important, to prevent them from being reestablished. The next step in progression after location and characterization of open dump sites is to establish codes and regulations that can be used by both tribal and county authorities to prevent continued use of existing dumps, and the prevention of new sites. To clean up those existing sites a new policy has been established by the USEPA for assistance funding. This consists of listing all illegal open dumps within "Indian Country" with the Indian Health Service in their Open Dump database. These sites will then receive a Sanitary Deficiency Site number and rating as to Public Health Threat and Environmental Threat. Those sites will then be eligible according to their ranking, for funding through the USEPA, for individual tribes to resolve those dump sites. At present no other tribe has been involved in this database compilation.. According to the EPA Tribal Coordinator – Solid Waste Program, Roger Hancock, the Peoria Tribe is, along with the Indian Health Service, pioneering this process.

To prevent the reoccurrence of open, illegal dump sites within the Peoria Tribal jurisdiction, the Peoria Environmental Department is exploring the possibility of cooperation between Ottawa County officials, Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality and USEPA. This would be to establish three rural Solid Waste Collection sites at locations within the Peoria Tribal jurisdiction, that would be conducive to encourage the proper disposal of solid wastes, i.e. trash and garbage, instead of uncaring individuals wantonly strewing these wastes along rural roads and within our watersheds and creek banks. This is also innovative in that no other tribe in Oklahoma has been involved with County, State and Federal agencies in combination, to accomplish a project of this nature. In this way the Peoria Tribe is doing its part to preserve and protect human health, our natural resources, our precious environment, and our natural heritage. We are showing we care, we are "Caretakers". (please see the 2 photos on the back page)

The Peoria Tribe has received a grant from the National Park Service to begin the restoration of the Peoria School house. A contractor has been selected and a scope of work is currently being developed to begin the restoration work. As soon as this is completed actual construction on this phase of the project will begin. Historic Preservation Fund Grants are awarded in phases. This is the first phase of restoration and, depending on availability of funding, the work will continue until the schoolhouse is completely restored.



INDIAN CHILD WELFARE

There has been some change in the Indian Child Welfare Program. We no longer have a contract with the Seneca-Cayuga Tribe to administer their Indian Child Welfare Program. That is a tremendous drop in case load!

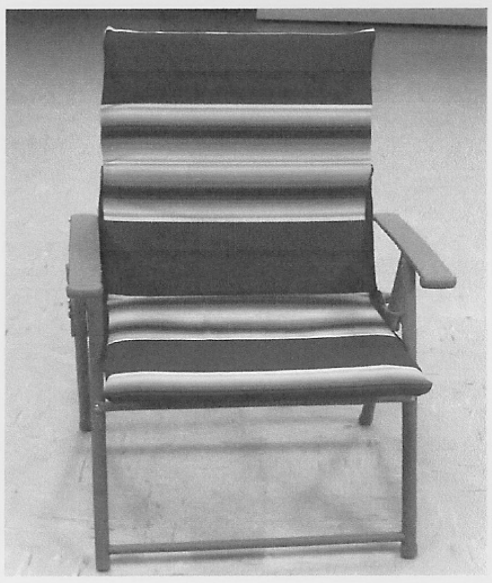
Loving Foster Tribal Homes are still in high demand. Would you be interested in becoming one? Open your heart & home to children in need. Give them a chance to have a new and better life. The rewards of fostering are there for the adults as well as the children. The process is relatively easy, you fill out an application, we will do a thorough Federal and State background check on anyone over 18 living in the house. We will require you to provide four personal references that the Indian Child Welfare Program(ICWP) will contact, then the Indian Child Welfare Director or his designated representative will do a home study visit in your home. Once that process is completed, the ICWP may license your home as a tribal foster home. Language in the Tribal/State also allows for the Department of Human Services to use tribal foster homes to provide services for primarily the Indian children, but also for non-Indian children. The state does provide training for the foster homes at no cost.

The children range in age from newborns to eighteen; some may have disabilities; abuse has traumatized some; they may bear the emotional scars of having been bounced from one foster home to another. In your application you can identify those children for whom you feel most qualified to provide services.

For the first couple months with a foster child it will be quite challenging. The children will need love and nurturing as they learn to trust the foster parents. The foster parents will also adapt to having a new member in the family. Both have to learn that they will make mistakes. They will have to resolve those problems in a loving and caring manner, to develop the relationship that they may carry forward for the rest of their lives. It takes sometime to build a strong, loving and trusting bond. This relationship will not happen overnight or in a couple of weeks. Nevertheless, with perseverance it will happen.

If you are interested in becoming a tribal foster home, please call the Indian Child Welfare Program .

TWO OPPORTUNITIES TO WIN !



TWO RAFFLE DRAWINGS
SATURDAY—MARCH 3, 2007
DURING THE ANNUAL PEORIA COUNCIL STOMP DANCE

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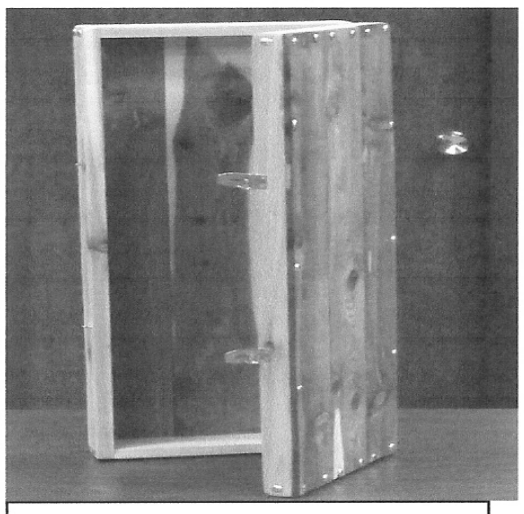

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The beading ladies at the Moe Bandy Show in Branson, MO along with Barbara Stacy and Tracy Anderson.

Above you will see them again at the Branson Brothers Show.

Max Strieble represented the town of Greece, New York in presenting the Greece Volunteer Honoree 2006 award to Mary Davey

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To the left you will see the girls with the stars of the Branson Brothers Show. A great time was had by all.

Solid waste in watershed.

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